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IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCES Nos. 16 OF 1873 AND 29 OF 1895.

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF QUAN KAI FOR LEASE TO REGISTERED TRADE MARKS.

NOTICE is hereby given that QUAN KAI, No. 124, PATER, Central Victoria, Hongkong, Merchant, has this day applied to His Excellency the Administrator under the provisions of Ordinances Nos. 16 of 1873 and 29 of 1895 for leave to register certain TRADE MARKS in the name of KWONG HEE YING in the Register of Trade Marks in the Office of the Colonial Secretary. The said TRADE MARKS will be used upon Baps and Packages containing MICHAMUS FOR AND MODE OF MARINE PROTECTION.

Dated this 30th day of October 1896.

Solicitor for the said QUAN KAI and KWONG HEE YING G. [2474]

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The Chinese question continues to be agitated in Indo-China, where the subjects of His Majesty are scarcely more welcome than in the United States or Australia. The French seem to think that every dollar made by a Chinaman is a dollar taken out of some Frenchman's pocket, and various proposals are advanced to reduce their competition, more particularly as regards Government contracts. Tenders for supplies for the army are now only received from Frenchmen or Annamese, foreigners and Chinese being excluded. The *Indo-Chine Française* urges that the same principle should be adopted in connection with civil contracts also. This has naturally been done as regards the construction of the railway from Hanoi to Phou-lanhong, the tenders sent in by Chinese having been returned to them, and according to our contemporary, this protection of French contractors has been highly praised. But even this is not enough; our contemporary would also forbid the employment of Chinese as sub-contractors, arguing that otherwise the law might be defeated by Chinese tendering in the names of others with whom they had made an agreement for that purpose. "Was not the lean contract to assist the French element in our colony had to shewer on the native population silver money? Would it not be going against the wishes of Parliament to allow works that have to be paid for out of the loan to be executed by Chinese and money which ought to remain in the country to be sent to China?" It does not seem to occur to our contemporary that it would be to the interest of the colony to get its work done on the most favourable terms and, like private individuals, to buy in the cheapest market. The idea seems to be that there is so much money to be spent and that the arrangements should be such that a good deal of it shall go back into French pockets without the country getting any equivalent for it, for the difference in the charges charged by Frenchmen and those charged by Chinese represents simply so much taken from the public treasury and transferred to private pockets. Our contemporary in the course of its article says: "It is for the development of our foreign trade that we have 'conquered' Tonkin, not to make a colony 'for his multiplication of functionaries or a theatre of glorification bringing honour to France.' Day by day, we are told, these 'conquered' Tonkin to do business, to find new openings 'for her trade and industry, to assure 'numerous consumers.' This is a sound view to take, but it is vitiated by the narrow minded opposition displayed towards the Chinese, who are the instruments that must be mainly relied upon to arrive at the end aimed at. The Annamese and Tonkinese are not such a commercial race as the Chinese and cannot so well serve as the intermediaries of trade. Indo-China, since its development, a great trade with Yunnan and South-western China, as far as Seochuan; but how is this dream to be fulfilled if a wall of exclusion is erected between the French and the people with whom they wish to deal? It is said that in order to overcome

the disabilities imposed upon them in relation to contracts some of the well-to-do Chinese in Tonkin are seeking to become naturalised French subjects. Against this the *Indo-Chine Française* cheerfully protests, urging that no facilities should be extended to them for that purpose. If these gentlemen wish to become French, it says, "let them begin by furnishing their own 'patriotic' aid in settling a few years 'in the Foreign Legion,' which is rather an amusing suggestion. There are, however, serious objections to the extensive naturalisation of Chinese in foreign territories bordering upon China, and at that point our contemporary is on firm ground. That, however, is a very different thing from placing trade restrictions upon the Chinese, which is a suicidal policy for a country that is so largely dependent for its commercial development on Chinese enterprise and industry.

The C. P. steamer *Empress of India* arrived at Nankai at 4 p.m. on Thursday and left midnight for Shanghai and Hongkong.

There will be divine service in German on board U.G.M.S. *Tone* to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock. All German residents are invited to attend.

To-morrow morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam launch *Derwent*, carrying the British flag, will call at the Victoria Harbour, and will be accompanied by a tugboat, motor launch, and a launch of the U.G.M.S. *Tone*, to-morrow morning at 11 a.m. service will be held at St. Paul's (Savoy) Church, returning about 12.30.

The Hongkong Club will play the *Norwich* at the Victoria Ground this afternoon, commencing at 2.30 sharp. *Colts*—L. A. Rose, P. Hyndman, J. Shelly, J. Benedict, C. G. Kinn, H. F. Lamer, T. X. Silva, Noel, K. Bow, R. F. Madner, (Capt.), Wm. Macdonald, M. Brett.

The Hongkong Rovers will play their opening cricket match of the season on Friday, November 1st, at 2.30 p.m. at the Victoria Ground. The following is a list of the players for the Rovers—Shelley, Canham, Buckley, Brown, Rovers, Duncan, Kerr, Harris, Hucker, Hyndman, Lawrence.

The first of the series of popular winter concerts under the management of Mr. C. T. Robinson takes place at the Victoria Concert Hall, Dundas Street, this evening at 8 o'clock. The programme is a selection of the best of the Rito Brigade. A variety of attractions are offered and the entertainment ought to command a large audience. Tickets will be found in our advertisement columns.

At the Magistracy yesterday a Chinaman who keeps a shop in Shaukiwan charged \$2.50 (two dollars and fifty cents) for a pair of trousers. The complainant, who is a native of the island, said that the defendant had taken the trousers from him and that he had paid for them. The defendant, who is a native of the island, said that he had taken the trousers from him and that he had paid for them. The defendant, who is a native of the island, said that he had taken the trousers from him and that he had paid for them.

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